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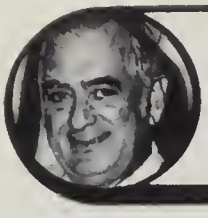

President's Page

John E. Lenker, CSNA LM 1-21

Greetings in this Spring of 1978 and a busy time it is too.

As this issue of Calcoin News goes out into the mail the Spring is dominated by the 10th Annual Numismatic Educational Symposium set for the Holiday Inn in Fullerton, Saturday, March 18. Details of the program are in another part of this issue. One of the features, of course, will be an active participation by a group of Juniors being sent to the event through the Junior Education Program.

Following closely will be the big C.S.N.A. convention at the Jack Tar Hotel in San Francisco, April 21-23. General Chairman O. L. Wallis has plans for an outstanding Coin Show and Convention. Those attending this convention will have not only the big numismatic event, but also the advantages of all the interesting and unique attractions for which San Francisco is famous. The Old Mint alone is always good for a visit, or for another if you have already been there — and remember you can buy the famous mint medals over the counter. Other "biggies" are Chinatown, Cable Cars, Fisherman's Wharf, the big bridges, Alcatraz, the beautiful Pacific Ocean, zoo, museum, parks, historic Missions, churches and shrines and an outstanding shopping district — with coin dealers too! San Francisco is the home of the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, the oldest "coin club" in the West having been founded by Farran Zerbe in 1915. There are other coin clubs in this area which abounds with friendly coin collectors. See you in San Francisco.

While we are talking about conventions we might as well start the "tub thumping" for the big fall coin show and convention being sponsored by the Bay Cities Coin Club of Santa Monica and the Culver City Coin Club of Culver City. Phil Iverson, the general chairman, has been busy with committees and details. He'll have a preliminary report for the board meeting April 20 at the Jack Tar Hotel.

The fall convention will be in the fabulous 800-room Airport Marina Hotel at the intersection of Manchester Avenue and Lincoln Boulevard in the community of Westchester which is located between Hughes Airport on the north and the Los Angeles International Airport on the south and between the MGM Studios on the east and Marina Del Rey on the west. It is only a short distance from Santa Monica, Culver City and Inglewood and a scant mile from the Pacific Ocean with the sea breezes assuring a clean smog-free atmosphere. Look it up on the map and you will see that it is the jewel in the crown.

The hotel is operated by the famous Fred Harvey organization and features unusually low prices for the convention weekend rooms. Begin planning now to attend the fall event October 27-29, 1978.

His Royal Highness Prince Charles of Great Britain, the Prince of Wales, might well have visited our last convention in Pasadena — except that his visit to the Los Angeles-Pasadena area didn't quite coincide datewise. Knowing that His Royal Highness is interested in Britian's coins and particularly George III, his fifth great-grandfather, and knowing that CSNA exhibits are frequently strong in British items and those of George III, we wrote him directly to Buckingham Palace inviting him to be our guest at the Pasadena event.

The Prince of Wales' regretful reply in the form of a letter from his secretary is also carried in this issue of Calcoin News. An interesting fact, in addition to its being on the Prince of Wales Buckingham Palace stationery, was the fact that the letter went forth bearing a stamp with the likeness of his mother, Elizabeth II. It isn't often that one gets a letter from a person bearing a stamp picturing that person's mother.

The press carried reports of his visit to Los Angeles and San Francisco and doubtless he would have enjoyed the coins and the convention and we certainly would have enjoyed a visit with His Royal Highness.

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JUST THINKIN' . . . at a recent January coin show I had the privilege of viewing a very nice display on the 1792 half-disme. It triggered my curiosity as to what the times and people were really like back then, and it brought to mind a short article I once read from the People's Danish History. It goes like this.

"From my study in Denmark, I look out over a field. I know the farmer who owns this field, and I sometimes think of the many others who have lived on this land before him. Very likely it was cultivated 4000 years ago. If all the farmers who have lived on this spot throughout that time would come to see the present owner, he would not be able to house them — they would be wearing completely different clothes from one another, and many would not understand what others were saying — the language has changed that much in the course of time.

But suppose they lined up consecutively, from the first farmer to the last; in that order, conversation could be carried on between immediate neighbors. Then they could tell stories from one end of the row to the other, and you would hear a ripple of mirth go slowly down the line as a story progressed from man to man through the centuries."

If we could only make such a line of the coins used in the New World from the time of the Pilgrims to the present. Oh, the stories they could tell! Bartering with the Indians for Wampum, along with the English Guineas, French Louis, Dutch Ducats, German Thalers, and various Spanish coins that circulated freely. There was Colonial Coinage, followed by the U.S. coins starting in 1792. Private mint and territorial gold, emergency issues such as the Civil War Tokens and several others of uncertain date and origin by enterprising American individuals. Each one could tell their own version of the country and the times of their reign.

Three centuries of American money, a historical plus for the every increasing interest in coin collecting. If it could only happen!

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Joseph Moir's Shot Tower Token

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Standing in one of the most beautiful areas south of Hobart, is one of the State's most historic buildings. Built in 1870 by Joseph Moir, a native of Kelso, Scotland, the Shot Tower is the only one of its type still in existence in the Southern Hemisphere.

Joseph Moir's life is an interesting one. A direct descendant from the Duke of Northumberland, he was born in 1809. His family came to Van Diemen's Land in 1804 with the first settlers. It was evident from an early age he possessed unusual energy and initiative and that he had been well trained.

Joseph showed remarkable interest in building and he was fortunate as in the early stages of the colony there was much building activity. Governor Arthur was always ready to advance any young man who was likely to promote the development of the Colony.

In October, 1837, while still in his twenties, he was called upon to give evidence before the Executive Council on the work of convict mechanics. His evidence was clear and straightforward. The only time that he had used convict mechanics "had been during the two years he had been in the employee of the Government." He stated that in his private contracts he had used free men but they were often "saucy and independent." He considered that a convict was a satisfactory workman and praised the high standard on the recent Government buildings as work done by the convicts. But, he added, "there was much pilfering on Government jobs and the tools were often in a very bad state of repair."

There are many fine buildings in Hobart which Moir built. All of his best work was in stone. On 2nd December 1836 he advertised "TRUSCAN HOUSE TO LET SUITABLE FOR A LADIES SEMINARY OR GENTLEMEN'S ACADEMY." This fine building still stands.

When on a visit to England in 1843, Joseph married Elizabeth Frisken Paxon on 29th September of that year. They had six children. The family tree at the end of this article shows the family. One of his sons, John Augustus, was drowned in the Huon River on 2nd January, 1872.

Perhaps Moir's greatest work was Saint Mark's Church at Pontville, a few miles north of Hobart. One must feel that this young builder must have had pergotial contact with the Architect James Blackburn and that he took great pride in his work, creating this gem in stone, which must have brought pleasure to the unhappy architect James Blackburn.

Joseph was elected a Town Commissioner in 1846 under the Paving and Lighting Act. Later he became one of the town's first aldermen. About 1844 he had a visit to England and one wonders if it was while he was there he became interested in the manufacture of shot. In 1855 he purchased the land on which the shot tower now stands, and there built his home, laid out his extensive ground and planted English trees.

As an alderman he is said to have been a man of "Good business capacity and an inventive turn of mind".

Moir was 60 when he began the erection of the tower. He was his own architect, engineer and carpenter and during construction was assisted by two stone masons. He had quarrymen cutting and dressing the stone in the old convict quarry about a mile in distance. Labourers carted the freestone to the building site and helped hoist it into position. Each stone having a curved and tapered face. The tower was completed in eight months and the work on producing the shot started. Moir had to learn the secret. He made his first shot in September 1870.

It was no doubt with some pride that Joseph himself inscribed the keystone over the tower entrance which recorded his achievement.

> "This shot Tower was built by the Proprietor, Joseph Moir, in the year, 1870. In its erection he acted as Engineer, Architect, Carpenter and Overseer. With merely the assistance of two masons it was completed in eight months, when the secrets of shot making had to be discovered. After many perservering efforts the first shot was dropped 8th September, 1870."

Rising to 197 feet the Tower is 25 feet in diameter at the base, and 12½ feet at the top. The walls are two feet thick at the base decreasing to 16 inches at the top. There are 291 steps to the top, interspersed with 25 landings. Small unglazed openings spaced at intervals in the Tower walls give natural lighting to the stairways.

Joseph prepared his lead in a furnace built on the cliff top adding arsenic and antimony to it when melted. To each ton of lead he would add 14 lbs. of antimony and 20 lbs. of arsenic. It was cast into ingots weighing a hundredweight which were then hoisted to the top of the tower. After remelting it was poured through colanders with different sized holes according to the size required. The shot fell into a tub of water at the bottom, to prevent it denting, the height of the tower being such as it cooled it sufficiently before it reached the water. After cooling it was dried and run over glass tables to separate any defective shot, then polished in a revolving drum.

Joseph Moir was only sixty-five when he died in 1874. The business was carried on by his other son and then grandson, with the same high standards of manufacture. After the Moirs' ceased operations the Bantons of Kingston took the tower over and in 1950 the Scenery Preservation Board of Tasmania purchased the site and has since preserved it.

An extract from Joseph Moir's family Bible is as follows:

> We carried on the business as Builders (my bother and I) up to 1843. I then visted my native place and married Elizabeth Frisken Paxton, also a native of Kelso, born 12 May, 1822, second daughter of John and Jane Paxton, clock and watch maker there. After residing a few months in Scotland we sailed for Hobart Town on 26 December 1843, arrived (back) here on 30 May 1844. I again visited Scotland in 1849, for the purpose of making arrangements to carry on the ironmongery business here, leaving my wife and two daughters, and again returned on 14 April 1850, bringing this bible on which I mark down my time of Marriage and our Children's names.

THE TOKEN

Moir issued a penny token as hereunder:
Date of issue is uncertain.
34mm. Normal, A384, Heyde 185.

Obv. JOSEPH MOIR/WHOLESALE/AND/RETAIL/IRONMONGERY/ ESTABLISHMENT/1950/HOBART TOWN, in eight lines. Indented Rim.

REV. ECONOMY HOUSE/ONE/PENNY TOKEN/PAYABLE/ON DEMAND/HERE/MURRAY STREET, in seven lines. Indented Rim.

Andrew's Australasian Tokens and Coins give the medallist as Uncertain. From information to hand it appears that the tokens were struck in London whilst Moir was there in May of 1849, and he brought them with him on his return. However the family manuscripts are vague in this respect. The date on the token is attributed to the foundation of the business.

Sources of information.

1. McNeice — records and files on the Tasmanian Token Issuers.
2. The Moir Family Bible — related documents.
3. Chief Secretary's, Archives of Tasmania.

The Japanese Peace Bell

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The story behind the United Nations Japanese Peace Bell — created from a Catholic Medal, coins from the first 60 countries who became members of the United Nations, and many old Japanese coins, medals and ancient treasures, is very unique.

The Peace Bell idea for the United Nations came in 1951 when Chiyoji Nakagawa, a former governor of the Ehime Prefecture in Japan, attended the General Assembly in Paris as an observer on the behalf of the United Nations Association of Japan. While there, he proposed that Japan make a peace bell.

His idea was apparently broadcast rather widely, for he was granted an audience with Pope Pius XII, who gave him the Catholic Medal of Christ and Mary. He also received donations of coins from delegates of the first 60 countries who were members of the United Nations and who participated in the General Conference of the United Nations Association held in Paris in 1951. This medal and the coins were melted down to form the peace bell. (A Shinto symbol connected with ancester worship.)

The Peace Bell was completed on October 24, 1952, at the Tada factory in Japan. It was presented to the United Nations in New York on June 8, 1954 by the United Nations Association of Japan in the name of the people of Nippon. Ambassador Renzo Sawada, the Japanese observer, made the presentation. He became the regular delegate and permanent representative when Japan was admitted to membership in the United Nations in December, 1955.

The Japanese Peace Bell is hung in a 12 foot pavilion made of Japanese Cypress wood on slabs of Israeli stone representing limestone quarried from the hills of Jerusalem. The bell is three feet three inches high by two feet in diameter. The bell weighs 256 pounds. Inscribed on one side of the bell in Japanese are the words: "Long Live Absolute World Peace. A gift of the United Nations Association of Japan, 1954."

In presenting the gift to the United Nations, Ambassador Sawada said; "The bell embodies the aspiration for peace not only of the Japanese, but of the peoples of the entire world. Thus it symbolizes the universality of the United Nations."

At a brief ceremony at United Nations headquarters, August 22, 1958, the Peace Bell was rung for the first time in four years. Japan's Foreign Minister, Aiichiro Fujiyama presented a new silk tassel (bell cord) for the Peace Bell. The Minister said. "This is an especially appropriate and auspicious occasion, for today we look forward to a new era of peace and good will in the troubled Middle East.

"Japan has done her utmost to help achieve understanding at the General Assembly's emergency special session, where agreement has been reached on a resolution concerning the Middle East."

The Minister, "hoped that the ringing of the Peace Bell would auger the success of the Secretary General's mission for a peaceful settlement in the Middle East, and for a new era of good will and tolerance for all the nations and peoples. This is the wish and the prayer of the people of Japan."

Following his address, given in Japanese, Foreign Minister Fujiyama rang the Peace Bell, which traditionally welcomes peace.

Ahmed S. Bokhari, U. N. Under Secretary in charge of public information, replied on behalf of the Secretary-General. "The gift of the new tassel was much appreciated," he said. Underlining the devotion to peace, Professor Bokhari emphasized that much credit was due to the United Nations Association of Japan for the support and active work on behalf of the United Nations.

Japanese bells differ from European and American bells in that the bell is rung by being struck with a wooden beam, against the outside of the bell.

This Peace Bell containing medals and coins of so many nations, governments and religions were melted together for a peace bell and could well be the formula for world peace. Japan being the only nation who has experienced the devastation of the atom bomb.

Following is the list of the countries who were members of the United Nations at the time of the bell presentation in 1954.

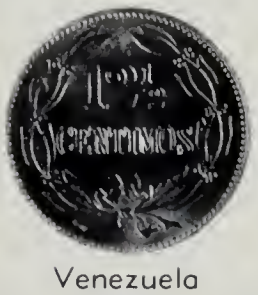
Afghanistan, Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Bolivia, Brazil, Burma, Byelorussian SSR (White Russia), Canada, Chile.

China, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Czechoslovakia, Denmark, Egypt, El Salvador, Ethiopia, France, Greece.

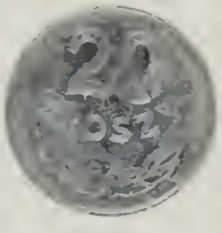
Guatemala, Haiti, Honduras, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Iraq, Israel, Lebanon. Liberia, Luxembourg, Mexico, Netherlands, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Norway, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines.

Poland, Saudi Arabia, Sweden, Syria, Thailand, Turkey, Ukrainian SSR, Union of South Africa, USSR, United Kingdom, United States, Uruguay, Venezuela, Yemen, Yugoslavia.

Representative coinage that made up the Peace Bell is shown here.



Venezuela
12½ Centimos - 1948



Poland
20 Groszy - 1949

Panama
2½ Cestesimos - 1940

Portugal
5 Escudos - 1951

New Zeland
1 Florin - 1950

Who's Who in Cal-State Numismatics

O. L. WALLIS — CSNA 2422

Active in numismatic affairs, O. L. "Wally" Wallis is the general chairman for the CSNA's forthcoming 62nd Semi-Annual Convention and Coin Show in San Francisco, April 21-23, 1978.

During formative pre-teen years, he lived in a small rural community of Booneville, New York, in the foothills of the Adirondack Mountains. Here collecting interests were stimulated. During summer months, he collected moths and butterflies and fossils while long, cold winters were spent with stamps and coins. Also, at this time, his life-long interest in the outdoors in general and in trout fishing in particular was generated.

Subsequently, pursuit of an education and career dominated and the intensity of his collecting activities diminished for a number of years. About a decade ago, however, his interest in numismatic materials revived Wally became fascinated by the unique medals the Official Presidential Inauguration Committee had struck every four years, since 1901, to commemorate the Inauguration.

Issued originally in limited numbers for distribution to the President and to deserving committee members, the earlier medals were not abundant. Little research had been directed toward them and consequently information about the Official Presidential Inaugural Medals was meager. At that time, therefore, there were few collectors of these medals.

Over the years, Wally acquired an extensive collection of these medals. In fact, his collection is complete except for the elusive St. Gaudin's Theodore Roosevelt medal for 1905 and the Coolidge medal for 1924. Soon he began to exhibit his collection in numismatic events in Washington, D.C., Boston, and Baltimore.

His interest then expanded to incorporate other numismatic/exonumia items (medals, badges, ribbons, tokens, etc.) issued in connection with Presidential inaugurations. In a related field, he began to collect medals issued in 1889 to commemorate the centennial of George Washington's First Inauguration as President of the United States in 1789. Most of the listed GW-1889 medals, as well as, some unlisted items are included in his collection.

A few years ago, Wally received an opportunistic offer to acquire a small group of medals and badges relating to Admiral George Dewey. The acquisition of this group started him off on a course of historical research about the "hero of Manila Bay" and the Nation's adoration and a quest for items issued to commemorate the man and the event.

Although the volume and variety of items relating to Admiral Dewey, reportedly, exceed those issued for any earlier public figure, apparently, there are few collectors in this specialty. Wally's collection, one of the most extensive in the country, contains medals, badges, ribbons, buttons and tokens. In addition, other non-numismatic items such as pitchers, glasses, dishes, spoons, fans, busts, trays, clocks and books are included in the collection.

Wally is a member of various organizations in the numismatic/exonumia field. In addition to CSNA, these include: American Numismatic Association, Pacific Coast Numismatic Society, Northern California Numismatic Association, San Francisco Coin Club, California Exonumist Society, Tokens and Medals Society, Orders and Medals Society of America, Orders and Medals Society of Northern California, Western Tokens Society, and the American Political Items Collectors.

He was a speaker on the Education Forum at the CSNA's 56th and 60th Conventions and publicity chairman for the 60th. Currently, he is vice-president of the PCNS and the San Francisco Coin Club and is second vice-president and publicity director for the Northern California Numismatic Society.

Wally enjoys sharing his interests with others through his exhibits and illustrated talks. Since 1971, he has been a prominent exhibitor on the coin show circuit in Northern California. Previously, he exhibited on the East Coast. His frequent talks to coin clubs in the San Francisco Bay Area are illustrated with colored slides he has taken of items in his collections.

Recently, on December 20, 1977, Wally retired from the National Park Service with an accumulation of nearly 35 years of Federal service. By interest and training, he is a biologist with specialties in fish and wildlife and marine and freshwater aquatic resources.

As a recognized authority in natural history, trout fisheries, and underwater marine parks, his articles and papers appear in popular publications and professional journals. He is listed in American Men of Science and in Who's Who in the West. For ten years, he served as a national director of TROUT UNLIMITED, a conservation organization.

During his career, he was a park ranger in Yosemite National Park and Lake Mead National Recreational Area; a park naturalist at Crater Lake National Park, Yosemite, and Lake Mead; chief aquatic research biologist, National Park Service, Washington, D.C.; and, at the time of his retirement, Regional Chief Scientist, NPS, Western Region, San Francisco. His academic degrees were received from the University of Redlands and Oregon State University. In World War II, he saw duty in the Marine Corps infantry in Guadalcanal and Okinawa.

Wally contends that numismatic collecting should involve more than just the accumulation and hoarding of things; that it should incorporate the study of the stories behind the items and the events they commemorate; and that this information should be shared for the appreciation of others.

10th Annual Educational Symposium

The tenth annual educational symposium, one of the most prestigious numismatic events, will be presented by the California State Numismatic Association in Fullerton, California on March 18, 1978. This will be an all-day educational session, with outstanding speakers and exhibits.

Final plans are being formulated, according to William O. Wisslead, the Chairman and Moderator. Mr. Wisslead, Director of Education, has arranged an excellent educational program, including Mary T. Brooks, Washington, D.C., former director of the United States Mint, who will discuss "A Change in Your Change". Ed Fulwilder, Senior Die Setter at the United States Assay Office in San Francisco will talk about "The Production of Proof Coins at the San Francisco Assay Office". William C. Henderson of Colorado Springs, Colorado, Treasurer of the American Numismatic Association, will use as his topic "Checks Can Tell an Interesting Story". Abe Kosoff of Palm Springs, California, famed professional numismatist, will tell about his "Fifty Years in Numismatics".

All the previous symposiums have been highly successful, with a large attendance of visitors who come long distances in order to participate.

As ususal, there will be a no-host banquet following the all-day sessions to honor the speakers. It will take place at the Holiday Inn of Fullerton, California. Last year ninety-seven turned out for a fine entertaining evening.

The question and answer periods have been varied and unusual, with the guest speakers answering questions relating to their lectures and other subjects of interest to the audience.

Invitational "Best of Show and First Place Winner" exhibits are presented each year. Thomas F. Fitzgerald, well known as a Best of Show winner is in charge of the exhibits.

Several junior numismatists will be honored under the Junior Educational Program.

The symposium committee consists of William O. Wisslead, Director of Education; Thomas F. Fitzgerald, Exhibit Chairman; Elizabeth L. Wisslead, Publicity Chairman; Charles G. Colver, secretary, Ruth L. Phillips, treasurer; and John E. Lenker, President of the C.S.N.A.

The host is the Orange County Coin Club and their group has always assisted in making this a memorable event. John J. Hower, Jr. is President of the Orange County Coin Club.

The symposium will take place at the Holiday Inn of Fullerton, Riverside Freeway (91) at Harbor Blvd. in the city of Fullerton, California. Admission is free to the public and collectors with ample free parking. The time is 10:30 A.M. and will continue for the whole day.

The Two Histories of Gold

Gold has really had two histories. Its ancient history began when some primitive man discovered a nugget probably left behind by a receding river. Its modern history started in the nineteenth centry, when more gold was unearthed than in the entire previous history of the world.

The Ancient History

Nuggets of gold left on the ground by the elements could not have failed to attract the attention of ancient man. Gold's glitter made it conspicuous and desirable as an ornament. Necklaces made of small pieces of gold have been found all over the world, deep in tombs and neolithic monuments. Sumerian and Egyptian specimens date to 5,000 B.C., and some experts believe knowledge of gold reaches to 9,000 B.C., Nubians and Egyptians who "panned" for gold used cloth or goat skins instead of pans and these literally became Golden Fleece.

The Pharoahs extracted gold from the eastern desert and the high mountains, but it was up to the Greeks and Romans to develop mining techniques, including the use of water and water power from the Nile.

The rise of the world's gold supply, however, was gradual, and even the gold fever that brought thousands of adventurers to the New World for plunder and exploration — Mexico and Peru at first — initially added only a few dozen tons to the world's known supply. The adoption in 1557 of an extraction technique using mercury was significant because it made possible the refinement of low-grade ore.

Brazil later became an important gold supplier, and the discovery of deposits in the Mato Grosso in 1721 brought on the New World's first large-scale gold rush.

At the same time, Imperial Russia and a group of its rich landlords were gradually developing the deposits of eastern Siberia. The tremendous acceleration of production from these deposits marked the beginning of the modern history of gold.

The Modern History

The successful expansion of gold mining in the Urals by Czar Alexander I between 1823 and 1830 — from 50,000 to 125,000 ounces a year — gave the Russians greater ambitions. The hunt was pressed to remote regions of Siberia, and by 1842, the country was producing 350,000 ounces a year. By 1847, Russia was producing three-fifths of the world's gold, and new finds kept pushing up total output.

But if Russia's gold quests were conducted by the wealthy, the gold rush of 1848 in the United States was a great adventure for the common man. The discovery by a foreman at Sutter's Mill, at the delta of the Sacramento and American Rivers, turned thousands of ordinary people into prospectors. They were soon swarming through the High Sierras, the source of the alluvial gold at the mill. In five years, production reached its peak of three million ounces a year. So many gold coins were minted that silver ones suddenly became scarce. Since England and France were major creditors of the U.S., their gold reserves also swelled dramatically.

At the height of the California rush, gold was also discovered in eastern Australia. The flow of gold to London quickly established that city as the world's gold center. The rushes quickly petered out in both countries, the easy pickings gone. The action then shifted to these men who had the capital and the knowhow to extract gold from the harder-to-get deposits. While the gold supply's growth flattened, though, it did not stop, and increases were continuously achieved for many years after 1848.

South Africa's immense deposits of gold, first discovered in 1886, required capital-intensive exploitation right from the start, and were largely mined by people who had already made their fortunes with Kimberley diamonds.

South Africa's vast body of low-grade ore was tantalizing. The supply of gold was seemingly endless, but extraction was costly and inefficient, and initially was resulting in a loss of about $4.20 for each ton of ore mined.

The coincidental development of a superior extraction technique, however, allowed the miners to increase the yield by some 50 per cent, and the South African mines went on to become the most productive in the history of the world. These mines today produce 75 per cent of the western world's gold.

SAN FRANCISCO WELCOMES CSNA 62ND SEMI-ANNUAL CONVENTION

Convention Medal — 62nd Semi-Annual Convention

San Francisco's Welcome Mat is out for the 62nd Semi-Annual CSNA Convention and Coin Show to be staged at the Jack Tar Hotel, Van Ness at Geary, San Francisco, April 21-23, reports O.L. Wallis, Convention Chairman.

Exhibits, educational forums, bourse, displays and an awards banquet highlight activities for the multi-event, 3-day program, scheduled by the host, the Pacific Coast Numismatic Society.

CSNA's traditional educational forum will be held on Friday evening. Featured will be talks on Mexican coins by Dr. Charles W. Aby and on protecting one's collections by S. G. Yasinitsky. Years of experience provide the basis for each speaker's presentation.

Dr. Aby, a recognized authority on Mexican numismatics, has specialized in coins from "south of the border" for over a quarter of a century. Mr. Yasinitsky, founder of the Orders and Medals Society of America, recently retired from the San Francisco Police Department after 28 years of service.

Frank Strazzarino will serve as forum moderator.

Exhibits will be displayed in 11 categories. Each exhibitor will vie for the top honor, The Best-of-Show Award, as well as, for an individual class award. First, second, and third place plaques will be awarded in each group. In addition, the exhibit containing exonumia items that receives the most judges' points will receive the Best Exonumia Award, presented by the California Exonumist Society. Each exhibitor will be the recipient of a participant's award.

Exhibit categoires include: United States, Ancient and Medieval (to 1558 A.D.), Modern Foreign (since 1558 A.D.), Substitutes for Money, Paper Money, Wooden Money, Orders and Decorations, Medals, Miscellaneous, Juniors, and Philatelic-Numismatic Combinations.

Exhibitors, especially Juniors, are encouraged to participate. Exhibit Applications should be submitted directly to: Exhibit Chairpersons, Rose and Harry Huntington, 1312 York, San Francisco, CA 94110.

Jay Patterson III will serve as the Exhibit Awards Chairman.

To commemorate the 80th anniversary of the victorious Battle of Manila, May 1, 1898, will be a special invitational exhibit on Admiral George Dewey and his Flagship, the U.S.S. Olympia. This display will feature medals, tokens, badges, busts, books, and other memorabilia that symbolized the Nation's hero-worship of Admiral Dewey during the Spanish American War.

From across the country, a full complement of dealers will assemble to offer collectors a wide range of coins, medals and other numismatic items. Bourse space may be reserved by contacting: Bourse Coordinator George Russell, P.O. Box 943, Santa Monica, CA 9040. Don Thrall, Bourse Chairman, will handle local bourse arrangements.

A noon luncheon will be held on Friday, April 21. This affair will be hosted by Irene and Clifford Liss.

Presentation of literary and exhibit awards will be spotlighted at the Awards Banquet on Saturday evening, April 22. Deputy Convention Chairman John Sears will serve as Master of Ceremonies for this occasion.

On Saturday afternoon, the California Exonumist Society will hold an educational forum, moderated by Betty Stevens. Charles V. Kappen, author of the recent book on California Tokens, will speak on the topic "Token Categories."

General theme of the convention is "California Gold." In keeping with this theme, the Official Convention Medal will feature the octagonal, Indian Head California One Dollar gold piece on the obverse. Logo of the CSNA will appear on the reverse.

Medals are being struck by Masterpiece Medallions in limited numbers in silver, golden-bronze and zinc. A bronze medal will be presented to each registrant. Philatelic-Numismatic Covers that contain the zinc medals and the silver medals will be available for purchase at the registration desk.

Others who are assisting in the convention include: Maxine Bryce, Convention Historian; Stephen Huston, publicity; Ed Fulwider, security; Lori and Larry Reppeteau, registration; and Ruth Phillips, Convention Photographer. Rudy Gjurovich will serve as Sergeant-At-Arms.

The Convention will top-off the nationwide observance of Coin Week, sponsored by the American Numismatic Association.

Take Ten

The A.N.A. just completed their first mini-convention in Colorado Springs, Colorado. This may be a sign of the times in which organizations are looking to restructure their conventions to assure more financial stability. The C.S.N.A. is also giving considerable attention to this same area. The fall convention at Westchester in the Airport Marina Hotel is designed to provide a more secure financial base while still maintaining a strong educational forum and social program. The dealer-collector relation will still be stressed and hopefully strengthened.

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To each individual the world will take on a different connotation of meaning — the importance lies in the desire to search for an answer.

— T. S. Elliot

COLLECTOR, OF SORTS

Indiana's Jesse Wood owns 120,000 silver coins and all 1,500 pounds of them are displayed as a veneer on his late model, black sedan.

Nineteenth century coins lace the trunk; an 18-carat eagle hood ornament, silver-dollar hub cap spokes, and inlaid turquoise steering wheel are among customized accessories.

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Mary T. Brooks
International Consultant on
Numismatic and Philatelic Affairs

January 28, 1978

Mr. Charles G. Colver
611 N. Bonna Avenue
Covina, California 91724

Dear Charles:

Please forgive my long silence about that marvelous award that you sent to me in October. I have been out West most of the winter since before Christmas and my mail just accumulated here in Washington at my apartment until my return a few days ago.

It is hard to tell you how grateful I am for your wonderful expression of appreciation for the work we were able to do in San Francisco at the Old Mint. Believe me, it was a labor of love and one that will stand through the years as a fitting memento to California's exciting history and to Numismatics. Your award will be one of my most cherished mementos. I am having it framed to hang in my office right over my desk. Please express my deep appreciation to your membership.

I will see you in March when I come out to the California Convention. Could you give me some information as to how long you want my presentation to be on the Educational Forum and what time of day it will take place.

Hope all is well with you and yours.

Sincerely,

Mary T. Brooks

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CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION
31st Anniversary

62nd SEMI-ANNUAL CONVENTION AND COIN SHOW

Jack Tar Hotel
Van Ness at Geary
San Francisco, California
April 21, 22, 23, 1978

— CONVENTION PROGRAM —

Thursday, April 20

12 Noon - 6:00 P.M. • SECURITY ROOM (Russian Hill Room)
Available for dealers

6:00 P.M. • BOURSE ROOM (Grand Ballroom)
Open for dealers to set-up

7:00 P.M. • CSNA Executive Board Meeting
Cathedral Hill Room — B

10:00 P.M. • BOURSE ROOM closed

Friday, April 21

8:00 A.M. • BOURSE Room — Open to dealers only
• EXHIBIT ROOM (Cathedral Hill Room — A)
Open to exhibitors only

9:30 A.M. • REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK opens

10:00 A.M. • CONVENTION OFFICIALLY OPENS
Bourse and Exhibit Rooms open to public

12:00 Noon • FRIDAY LUNCHEON — Cathedral Hill Room — B

8:00 P.M. • CSNA EDUCATIONAL FORUM — Cathedral Hill Room — B
• **Quest for Mexican Coins** — Dr. Charles W. Aby
• **Protect What You Collect** — S. G. Yasinitsky

10:00 P.M. • BOURSE AND EXHIBIT ROOMS close

Saturday, April 23

9:00 A.M. • BOURSE Room — Open to dealers only

10:00 A.M. • CONVENTION DAY STARTS
• REGISTRATION/INFORMATION DESK opens
Bourse and Exhibit Rooms open to public

10:30 A.M. • CSNA GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING
Bourse and Exhibit Rooms open to public
Cathedral Hill Room — B

1:00 P.M. • CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY FORUM
Cathedral Hill Room — B
Token Categories —Charles V. Kappen

6:30 P.M. • CSNA COCKTAIL HOUR (No-host)
Garden Room, 4th Floor

7:30 P.M. • CSNA AWARDS BANQUET — Garden Room, 4th Floor

10:00 P.M. • CONVENTION DAY ENDS
Bourse and Exhibit Rooms close

Sunday, April 23

9:00 A.M. • BOURSE ROOM — open to dealers only

9:30 A.M. • SUNDAY BRUNCH — Cosmopolitan Room

10:00 A.M. • CONVENTION DAY STARTS
Bourse and Exhibit Rooms open to public
Registration/Information Desk opens

5:00 P.M. • CONVENTION OFFICIALLY CLOSES
Bourse and Exhibit Rooms Closed to public
(all bourse and exhibits to be removed by 6:00 P.M.)

6:00 P.M. • SECURITY removed

The California State Numismatic Association

* * * INVITATION TO EXHIBIT * * *

You are invited to display a numismatic exhibit at the forthcoming CSNA Semi-Annual Convention under the following EXHIBIT RULES:

1. The exhibition of numismatic material, open to all collectors, will be competitive, subject to Rule #9.

2. All competitive exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor.

3. Requests for exhibit space must reach the Exhibit Chairman no later than one week before the opening day of the convention. Requests received after that date will be subject to accommodations available. There is a limit of three (3) cases per exhibitor, subject to revision after the deadline date, as space available permits, and with the approval of the Exhibit Chairman. Cancellation of any exhibit reservation should be made to the Exhibit Chairman in writing.

4. No advertising or other commercialism, or the name of the exhibitor, shall be allowed in the exhibit; nor may any material be removed from the exhibit for sale or other disposal prior to the scheduled removal time.

5. Permission to remove any exhibit prior to the advertised public viewing hours must be obtained from the Exhibit Chairman at the time of exhibit application. Otherwise, exhibits may be removed beginning at 3:00 P.M. of the closing day of the convention.

6. An exhibit identification card, furnished by C.S.N.A., must be placed on display on the glass in the upper left corner.

7. Adequate police protection will be in effect beginning at 8:00 A.M. Friday, through 6:00 P.M. Sunday. Exhibits installed prior to, or removed later than this coverage, shall be at the exhibitor's risk. Due precautions will be exercised at all times, but no responsibility shall attach either the California State Numismatic Association or the host club, their officers, members and/or any committees for any loss or damage. All exhibits entered IN COMPETITION must be in place no later than 8:00 P.M. Friday.

8. Exhibit cases will be furnished by C.S.N.A., or the exhibitor may use his own. Exhibitors should indicate their needs when making application, and give details of what they have for their use. Most C.S.N.A. cases are 20" x 20½" inside clear exhibit space; some are 1 inch deep, others about 3 inches deep. Each C.S.N.A. case has a lock. Keys to these locks will be in the possession of the Exhibit Chairman. If you are able to provide your own case, you are encouraged to do so.

9. C.S.N.A. will provide suitable awards for exhibits placed in competition. The awards will be made at the Awards Banquet on Saturday night. Only C.S.N.A. members are eligible to receive the BEST IN SHOW award. Those exhibitors (except Juniors) wishing to enter in competition are required to purchase a ticket to the Awards Banquet. Exhibits of those exhibitors who do NOT purchase a banquet ticket will be entered as non-competitive. One banquet ticket (1) for each exhibitor will be sold at one-half the regular price.

10. **Basis for Judging Exhibits.** By order of the California State Numismatic Association, the Award Judges will use the following point system:

a. Relative amount of numismatic information that can be obtained by examining the exhibit	40 points
b. Originality, neatness and effectiveness of ideas employed	35 points
c. Range, scope and variety of coverage in material	15 points
d. Relative condition of the material	10 points
Total	100 points

Invitation to Exhibit

62nd Semi-Annual Convention and Coin Show
Jack Tar Hotel — April 21-23, 1978 — San Francisco

* * EXHIBIT APPLICATION * *

I wish to place an exhibit in the 62nd Convention.

- TITLE of my exhibit: _____

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- I classify my exhibit in GROUP _____
- My exhibit will be: Competitive: _____

  (subject to rule No. 9) or Non Competitive: _____
- I will furnish my own cases: _____

  No. of Cases:_____ Sizes: _____ in. x _____ in.
- PLEASE RESERVE _____ CSNA CASES for my exhibit.
- I agree to abide by all of the CSNA exhibit rules and decisions. Furthermore, I agree that the CSNA, its officers and committee members are **not** responsible or liable for theft or disappearance of or damage or injury or any materials placed on display.

  Signed: _____ Date:_____
- **For Juniors** (Under 18 years of age):

  Your age: _____ Years _____ Months.

  Your parent or guardian must sign below to authorize you to exhibit.

  Parent/Guardian's Signature _____

Exhibit Groups . . .

A — United States
B — Ancient & Medieval (to 1558 A.D.)
C — Modern Foreign (since 1558 A.D.)
D — Substitutes for Money (tokens, odd & curious, primitives, etc.)
E — Paper Money
F — Wooden Money
G — Orders & Decorations
H — Medals
I — Miscellaneous (other items than listed)
J — Juniors (under 18 years of age)
K — Philatelic-Numismatic Combinations

MAIL EXHIBIT APPLICATION TO

Harry Huntington
1312 York Street
San Francisco, CA 94110

- NAME OF EXHIBITOR: _____
  (Please Print Clearly)

Street or P.O. Box No. Address:_____

City:_____ State:_____ Zip Code:_____

"The objects and purposes of this Association are to promote, extend and protect numismatic activity throughout California, and to foster and encourage the study of numismatics in all its forms and branches."

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RESERVATIONS MANAGER

NOTICE Postal regulations covering second class mailing permits do not allow the enclosure of separate information sheets. A four page "pull-out" has been prepared for your use if you wish to exhibit and/or be in residence at the hotel for the CSNA's 62nd Semi-Annual Convention.

NOTICE Please fill out the exhibit application and forward to the Exhibit Chairman at the address shown below the Classification block. Send the registration card in an envelope direct to the hotel for your room accommodations.

PLEASE CHECK ACCOMMODATIONS

	MIN.	MOD.	DELUXE
Single	☐ $33	☐ $36	☐ $40
Double Bed (2 persons)	☐ $38	☐ $41	☐ $45
Twin Beds (2 persons)	☐	☐	☐
Double/Double (2 Double Beds)		☐	☐
SUITES			
1-Bedroom Suite		☐	$90
2-Bedroom Suite		☐	$125
1-Bedroom International Suite		☐	$150
2-Bedroom International Suite		☐	$175

If we cannot provide the rate requested, we will assign the next available. Extra person—$10.

No charge for children under 12 sharing parents' room. All rooms subject to city tax. Parking in our in-building garage is free to all registered guests.

PLEASE NOTE: RESERVATIONS MUST BE RECEIVED 30 DAYS PRIOR TO ARRIVAL DATE IN ORDER TO BE CONFIRMED. ALL RESERVATIONS RECEIVED THEREAFTER WILL BE CONFIRMED ON AVAILABILITY ONLY.

*Rooms will be held until 6 PM on day of arrival unless accompanied by deposit to cover first night's rental.

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NEWS, VIEWS & WHOS. . .

North of the Tehachapis

By Jerry Kroeger, CSNA 18-4

Down Under

Pacific Coast Numismatic Society's member, William De Vroom from Australia had his winning paper read by Larry Reppeteau and was used as the theme for the October meeting. "The Rear Wheels of a Nation," featuring the "rixdollars of Netherlands".

In November, Harry Knox spoke on "Coins of German East Africa".

New officers for 1978 are: Larry Reppeteau, president; O. L. Wallis, vice president; Don Thrall, treasurer; Maxine Bryce, secretary; John Sears, curator.

Winners of the 1977 Papers Contest have been announced as follows: First place, "Strawberry Tokens of Missouri" by Don T. Thrall; Second place, Two papers tied for award; "The Million Dollar Display" by Virginia M. Hall; and "The Coins of Camelot" by Stephen Huston. Honorable mention to Michael Perekrestenko for "Russian Fur Money".

Toys for Tots

Fresno Numismatic Society once again participated this Christmas season in the Toys for Tots program, the response was very rewarding.

The Installation of new officers was held at Rep's House of Ribs and the officers for 1978 are: Dennis Olswang, president; Dick Bier, vice president; Fred Holton, treasurer; Ruth Phillips, secretary/editor; George Shamlin, auctioneer.

Flea Market

San Francisco Coin Club had a Flea Market night, last November, a multitude of merchandise was offered for sale.

The October meeting was quiz night, Harry Huntington giving the questions with the rest of us trying to think of the answers. Mike Stanley proved to be the sharpest with Arthur Dahl second and Dick Martin, third. It was a lot of fun.

1978 Officers are: Harry Huntington, president; O. L. Wallis, vice president; Phyllis Adams, recording secretary; Mike Stanley, corresponding secretary; Paul Snedaker, treasurer.

We've Moved

Bakersfield Coin Club now meets at the First Federal Savings and Loan Association, 4401 Ming Avenue, Bakersfield. Meetings are still held on the Second and Fourth Tuesdays of each month.

Professor Russell Travis of Cal-State Bakersfield was the guest speaker in November. He is writing a book on collectables and is gathering data on coin collecting from the members of B.C.C.

New Officers for 1978 are: Robert Kelley, president; Ken Feer, vice president; Mike Beckham, secretary; Marion Forgy, treasurer.

Coin-A-Rama

Sacramento Valley Coin Club reported a substantial increase in attendance at this year's Coin-A-Rama. The responsible persons were Ace Reiswig, Pete Prince and Tom Lawler. The members were also on the helping list, too numerous to list, your help was noted and your efforts were well received. Thanks for a job well done.

SVCC meets at the Bishop Manogue High School on the Second and Fourth Wednesday of each month at 8:00 P.M.

Kick Off

Clemens McCloskey writes for the Eureka Coin Club that Lloyd Whitcomb, president presided at the December pot luck dinner and meeting to kick off the 1978 winter program leading up to the 12th annual Coin Show, April 8-9.

Slides

Fairfield Coin Club featured the following slide programs for November and December: "World Trade Dollars" and "Types of Postage and Fractional Currency".

enThralled

Were the members of Vallejo Numismatic Society to host Don Thrall at their November meeting. Don gave a brief but interesting reading on Tokens. O. L. Wallis was the speaker for February on "Admiral Dewey, the Hero of Manila Bay".

New powers to be for 1978 are: Roger Jones, president; Maxine Hopperstad, vice president; Mike Turini, treasurer; Ron Smith, secretary; R. A. Dalby, editor of news letter.

Activities

The San Jose Coin Club members had a busy and interesting forum at the 1978 Coin Show, speakers included Austen D. Warburton, speaking on Indian Money; William R. Weber, spoke on U.S. Half-cents, a leading authority on this subject; Charles Kappen, retired professor of Journalism, San Jose State University, spoke on Early Tokens of California.

Many slide programs were offered and the award winning film covering the history of the old San Francisco Mint entitled "The Granite Lady" was shown.

The January program featured the origin of the San Jose Coin Club medal and the various designs that have gone into it over the years. Gene Dyer spoke at the February meeting "Two Islands, Half a World Apart" This covers the coinage of Lundy Island and Fiji Islands.

NEWS, VIEWS & WHOS. . .

South of the Tehachapis

By Elizabeth L. Wisslead, CSNA 720

FIFTY GOLDEN YEARS

Eighty-five members and guests attended the gala 50th Anniversary Banquet of the Los Angeles Coin Club on Friday, January 6, 1978. **Kenneth W. Lee** of Glendale, Calif. entertained all in attendance with the early history of the club and the many reports of programs and 'early greats' in the hobby of numismatics who attended the meetings. **Murray G. Singer,** acting as emcee, could boast of a twenty-five year membership in the club. The installation of officers for 1978 was ably handled by veteran professional numismatist, **Abe Kosoff.** Eaeh person attending received the set of two elongateds, a 1928 cent and a bicentennial half dollar with the club logo and 50th Anniversary dates. The special anniversary book compiled by **Eileen Lawson** reviewed the history of the club and listed not only the charter members, but thirteen hundred and fifty-seven other members following in their footsteps. **Elizabeth L. Wisslead** served as 50th Anniversary Banquet Chairman.

AIRPLANES

In 1970 the **Orange County Coin Club** inauguratcd a series of Banquet themes which have included Bees, Birds, Flowers, Fish, Trees, Dogs, Ships, Horses, all depicted on coins. The 1978 theme was Airplanes depicted on a special medal for the Golden Jubilee, First Solo Trans-Atlantic Flight made by Charles A. Lindbergh. Eighty members and guests enjoyed the Annual Installation Banquet held on Saturday, January 28, 1978, Garden Room of the Steak House, Knott's Berry Farm, Buena Park. The program topic: "The Lindberg Legacy, the First Half Century and Beyond" was ably presented by Edwin J. Istvan, Lt. Col. U.S.A.F., Retired. Col. Istvan is currently Assistant Director of Computer Science and Technology, Department of Commerce, Washington, D.C. Col. Istvan gave many highlights of Charles A. Lindbergh's contribution to aviation that led to our achievements in space. He, also showed movies of the first pictures made in space. **John E. Lenker,** president of **CSNA** was emcee. President, **William O. Wisslead,** presented the SPEAKER OF THE YEAR Award to **Charles G. Colver** for his November 1977 program "Numismatic Noncents".

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB
SPEAKER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented by President William O. Wisslead to Charles G. Colver.

SAN BERNARDINO TOPS MEMBER GOAL

The San Bernardino County Coin Club topped its goal of 200 members during 1977 by adding four new members at the December meeting. In addition to topping the 200 member mark, the club also continued another ongoing challenge: one or more new members have joined the the club every month since December, 1974.

THE SEVEN DAYS OF JANUARY!!

January 15. The exhibit hall of the Convention Center was the scene of the 15th Annual Coin Show of the San **Bernardino County Coin Club.** Neither rain or the Super Bowl stood in the way of 800 enthusiastic attendees, who enjoyed the exhibits, buying items of ehoice material from the bourse dealers, enjoying the special films shown by General Chairman, **Albert K. Hall,** soeializing while having refreshments served all day by **Bess** and **Laureen Sturgess.**

January 19. **Charles G. Colver** lead off the "Salute to The Presidents" year with his topic "Washington Vignettes". Seventy-seven attended this Thursday evening meeting.

January 21. Forty-one members and guests attended the annual banquet held at The Pirate's Den in San Bernardino, with **Dave Simpkins** as Banquet Chairman. A very delightful part of the evening's entertainment was a program of songs by **Linda Lopez** and **Frank Haggard** who are singing with The Young Americans. They were accompanied by **Evelyn Haggard.** Member of the Year Award was presented to **Albert K. Hall.** Past President Pins were presented to **Bryan Burke, Lloyd Blue** and **William Wisslead.**

PASSING THE GAVEL

The Azteca Numismatic Society installed new officers on January 27, 1978. Pres. Jose Castaneda; V.P. Frank Hattersley; Treas. Bob Higley; Rec. Sec. Michael Dreis; Corres. Sec. Stan Krathamer. Directors: Lionel Stone, Art Garnett, Mark Fenster, Ed Sarrow.

J. M. McInnis installed the following new officers for **Bay Cities Coin Club** on January 19, 1978. Pres. Phil Iverson; V.P. Harry Storch; Sec. Bill Collins; Treas. Max Wedertz; Governors: Lloyd Bailey, Ed Hallett, Evelyn Sadler, William Sadler. Historian, Thelma Case, notes this is the same crew that served so well in 1977.

Frank Strauss was installing officers for the **California Wooden Money Association.** 1978 Officers: Pres. Roy Robbins; V.P. Tom Hudson; Treas. Bruce Peterson; Sec. Virginia Dennis. Board Members: G. A. Ayers, Harold Butner, M. Wayne Dennis.

The 1978 crew for **Covina Coin Club.** Pres. Thomas F. Fitzgerald; V.P. Frank Strauss; Sec. Marie Menegatti; Treas. Gene Calvert.

East Los Angeles Coin Club will be guided by Pres. Paul Borack; V.P. Ed Rico, Jr.; Treas. Paul Mack; Sec. Mary Mack.

The 49er Nugget reports the following leaders for the **49er Coin Club:** Pres. John Paradowski; V.P. Jim Southard; Treas. Paul Noyes; Sec. Paul Beck; Directors: Henry Cutting, Emma Miles.

Israel Numismatic Society of San Fernando Valley selected as Pres. Jerry Yahalom; V.P. Antia Drapkin; Corres. Sec. Lil Alfie; Rec. Sec. Ruth Bardack; Treas. Babe Baker. Directors: Herbert Drapkin, Maurice Haber, Victor Solomon, Sid Fagat, Peggy Borgolte, Speedy Alfie.

Alan Abelson will lead the **Israel Coin Club of Los Angeles** as Pres.; V.P.s Phil Max and Harold Gould; Treas. Nate Bromberg; Corres. Sec. Rhoda Fishgold; Rec. Sec. Evelyn Sadler.

Lawndale Coin Club officers were installed by Myron McClaflin. Serving will be Pres. Roy Robbins; V.P. Henry Cutting; Sec. Mina Weyand; Treas. Elmo Neilson.

Long Beach Coin Club's annual installation banquet was held at the Petroleum Club on January 22, 1978 with Len Sims serving as emcee and installing officer. Pres. Martin Brown; V.P. Barbara Smithers; Sec. & Treas. Jerome Hodge. Directors: Paul Hamelin, Andrew Gibson, Len Sterling, Charles Chasee, Mary Lynott.

North Hollywood Coin Club's installation dinner was held on January 14, 1978 at the Sky Trails Restaurant, Van Nuys Airport. New officers: Pres. Bruno Forsher; V.P. William Koonee; Rec. Sec. Jay Dare; Corr. Sec. Sally Casalaina; Treas. Emanuel Casalaina. Directors: Clarence Hanson, Harry Storch, Ralph Marx, Robert Killion.

Norwalk Coin Club will be under the leadership of Pres. Roy Robbins; V.P. Rush Swick; Sec. Harold Mulvey; Treas. Nick Perulli.

Ethel M. Lenhert installed the officers for **Orange County Coin Club** on January 28, 1978 using the theme of the Banquet to liken the new officers to the crew of an airliner. Pres. John J. Hower; V.P. Elizabeth L. Wisslead; Sec. William O. Wisslead; Treas. Walter H. Dittrich. Directors: Al Brown, Richard R. Buelow; Ralph A. Mitchell, Louis J. Beretich; Dr. Verner G. Rich.

ORANGE COUNTY COIN CLUB OFFICERS FOR 1978. Left to right (top row) Ralph A. Mitchell, Richard R. Buelow, Walter H. Dittrich, William O. Wisslead, Elizabeth Wisslead, John J. Hower. (Bottom row) Dr. Verner G. Rich, Al Brown, Louis J. Beretich.

Dr. John A. Venable installed the officers for the combination banquet of **Fountain Valley Coin Club** and **Orange Coast Coin Club.** Fountain Valley C.C. officers: Pres. Keith Williamson; V.P.'s Sam Miclean & Austin Ryer; Sec. Debbie Parker; Treas. George Michky. Orange Coast C.C. officers: Pres. Robert Scott; V.P.'s Gary Beedon & Keith Williamson; Sec. Debbie Parker; Treas. George Michky.

Tri-Club Installation Banquet for **Anaheim-Garden Grove-Santa Ana Coin Club.** Emcee and Installing Officer **William O. Wisslead.** Serving **Anaheim:** Pres. Bill Pannier; V.P. Paul Pouliot; Sec. Gene Barker; Treas. Wayne Pouliot. **Garden Grove** Pres. Charles Boothe; V.P. Wayne Pouliot; Sec. Mary Vitale; Treas. Henry Mayberry. **Santa Ana:** Pres. Gene Swonger; V.P. (vacant); Sec. Evalene Pulati; Treas. Sam Miclean.

The Orange County PNC Club installed at a banquet on January 17, 1978. Pres. Michael Winikoff; V.P. Ewell Gunter; Sec. Walter Ostromecki; Treas. Carl Jackel.

Pomona Valley Coin Club leaders are: Pres. Albert K. Hall; V.P. Fred Lopez; Sec. Harold Katzman; Treas. Art Dupont; Board Members: G. A. Ayers, Amos House, Dean Remke.

San Fernando Valley Coin Club Pres. Bill Halligan; V.P. Tony Bergmann; John Nichols Treas.; and Eloise Nichols Sec.

Bi-Annual S.I.N. Installation Banquet was held on Saturday, January 21, 1978, with CSNA President **John E. Lenker** as installing officer. Pres. George L. Russell; V.P.'s Osmyn Stout and Milton Fishgold; Exec. Sec. E. Carolyn Nestrick; Corres. Sec. Evelyn Sadler; Exec. Treas. Max Wedertz. Distinguished speaker was **Robert L. Clarke.**

Torrance Coin Club's slate for '78. Pres. Robert Fox; V.P. Kermit Welch; Treas. Jim Hess; Sec. Virginia Dennis; Directors: Bob Scott, Bill Sadler, Nelda Ancell, Wayne Dennis, Myron McClaflin.

Upland Lumber Company was the place for the installation of the **Upland Coin Club's** officers for 1978. **Charles G. Colver** served as installing officer and used pine tree seeds to encourage planting and growth for the new year. Installed were: Pres. William Salverson, Sr.; V.P. Dave Beaton; Sec. Ethel M. Lenhert; Treas. Dave Beaton; Directors: William O. Wisslead, Harold Willome, William Salverson, Jr.

West Valley Coin Club officers installed by Ed Borgolte. Serving for '78: Pres. George Price; V.P.'s Paul Newell and Phyllis Duncan; Treas. Harry Shirk; Rec. Sec. Betty Brander; Corres. Sec. Leonora Donald. Governors: Clark Hurst, Ken Levy, Gerald Rochello, Blaze DiCenso.

Whittier Coin Club's slate for 1978: Pres. John Coll; V.P.'s Ron Sparks and Tom Murphey; Treas. Mark Lariccia; Sec. (vacant). Board members: Roy Robbins, Wayne McCall, Orville Pencille, J.S. Young, Slavek Uhlir, H. W. McCandless, Esther Bromberg.

To begin the second half century, Abe Kosoff installed the leaders for the **Los Angeles Coin Club**: Pres. Cliff Roth; V.P.'s Eileen Lawson and Ed Borgolte; Sec. Peggy Borgolte; Treas. Walter Snyder. Governors: Thomas H. Wood, Jerry Yahalom, Murray Singer, Paul Borack, Louis Henshel, Ed Rico, Jr.

WE'VE MOVED

The Azteca Numismatic Society will continue to meet on the fourth Friday at Cal Fed Building, Plaza Room, 5670 Wilshire Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif.

SUPER AUCTIONS

Ninety-seven attended the Super Auction of the **San Bernardino County Coin Club** held on the regular meeting night in November. **Fontana United Numismatists'** Super Auction was scheduled for February 10, 1978. Annual functions for both clubs.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Paul Mack was awarded a special appreciation plaque by outgoing President, **Myron McClaflin**, for dedicated and outstanding service to the **East Los Angeles Coin Club.**

Bob Pleet, past president of the **Lawndale Coin Club** surprised **Henry Cutting** with a plaque for his untold services and contributions to the club for many years.

California Collectors of Elongateds' Museum, featuring the World's Rarest Elongated, was on display for six weeks in the new Westminster, Calif. Library. The next showing will be at the Fountain Valley Library.

Santa Barbara Coin Club devoted the January meeting to the official ANA grading standards for United States Coins. Coins were provided for grading using the new book and a general discussion followed.

INTERNATIONAL NUMISMATICS

Harvey Rose served as emcee and installing officer for the **International Numismatic Society of San Diego** during the Annual Installation Dinner on January 25, 1978. Pres. Joe E. Lanning; V.P. Sumner Book Walter; Treas. Kenneth Aring; Sec. Anna Merle Panosh. In November, Ken Aring talked about "World Coinage of the Time of the Crusaders". In December the club discussed Holiday Topicals.

International Numismatic Society was the only club in San Diego County to send bulletins during the past quarter.

CONVENTIONS – COIN SHOWS – COINARAMAS

Society of International Numismatics will hold its 6th Annual Convention, April 27-30, 1978, Airport Park Hotel, 600 Avenue of Champions, Inglewood, Calif.

Covina Coin Club's 17th Annual Coin-a-Rama, Saturday and Sunday, May 20, 21, 1978, Azusa Womens Club, 1003 N. Azusa Ave., Azusa, Calif. (3 blocks north of Foothill). General Chairman, Frank Strauss, 122 S. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Calif. 91016.

Israel Holyland Expo '78, May 28, 1978 at the Sportsmens Lodge in the city of North Hollywood. For further information contact General Chairman, Jerry Yahalom, P.O. Box 928, Woodland Hills, Calif. 91365.

CHRISTMAS POT LUCK DINNERS

California Wooden Money Association reported the table was heavy with a wide variety of dishes to select from. **Earl O'Cathey** won the award for most outstanding program during 1977, a color slide presentation on the "National Parks".

Downey Numismatists staged a double-barreled treat for the Christmas Festival which included a Pot-Luck Dinner and the Lincoln Cent Treasure Hunt.

Fontana United Numismatists' Annual Christmas Pot Luck dinner was held on December 9, 1977. The Fun program featured the **Senior Citizens' Comedy Band** lead by **Josephine Knopf.**

Santa Barbara Coin Club's annual Christmas dinner was held at Harry's Plaza Cafe on December 12, 1977. **Dr. Henry K. Mine**, Professor of Mathematics at UCSB was the featured speaker using as his topic "Coins of the Biblical Times". A new project for the club are plans to build a club collection composed of numismatic items related to the city of Santa Barbara.

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From the Desk of the Secretary

Charles G. Colver, CSNA 6-1

NEW MEMBERS (Nov. 11, 1977 - Feb. 10, 1978)

3512 FARADAY, David M. . . . . .
(sponsored by the secretary)

3513 GOODMAN, Joel Mitchell . . .623 W. Hawthorne St., Glendale, 91204
(sponsored by the secretary)

3514 GILLEN, Ronnie C. . . . . 424 N. Vega, Alhambra, Calif. 91801
(sponsored by the secretary)

3515 SPEARS, Brent . . . . . 1865 Hanseom Dr., So. Pasadena, Calif. 91030
(sponsored by the secretary)

3516 KATZMAN, Harold . . . . . 1504 W. Rosewood Ct., Ontario, 91762
(sponsored by Charles Colver)

3517 ANONYMOUS . . . . . .
(sponsored by the secretary)

3518 HUBER, Fred P . . . . . 483 "B" Iowa Ave., Riverside, Calif. 92507
(sponsored by the secretary)

3519 ROWE, Gregory R. . . . .7150 Morningside Dr., Loomis, Calif. 95650
(sponsored by the seeretary)

3520 CROCKER, Donald C. . . . . 903 Jacaranda, Ontario, Calif. 91761
(sponsored by himself)

3521 VITULLI, Donald Jr. . . . . .
(sponsored by the secretary)

3522 KUSTER, Richard . . . . . 9303 Yaquima Dr., Kelseyville, Calif. 95451
(sponsored by Henry Krause)

A3523 KUSTER, Beverly .. . . . . 9303 Yaquima Dr., Kelseyville, Calif. 95451
(sponsored by Henry Krause)

3524 HYDER, William D. . . . . 1822 Laguna St., Santa Barbara, Calif. 93101
(sponsored by the secretary)

3525 WARD, Allen . . . 4614 E. Washington Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90040
(sponsored by the seeretary)

A3526 DITTRICH, Beverly M. . . . . 1745 E. Lomita St., Orange, Calif. 92667
(sponsored by Walt Dittrieh)

A3527 MANDEL, Barbara B. . . . . 357 S. Fairfax, Los Angeles, Calif. 90036
(sponsored by Robert Mandel)

A3528 GIVICH, Ada B. . . . . 78 Oak Lane, Mountain View, Calif. 94040
(sponsored by Louie Givich)

A3529 SINGER, Erma . . . . . 4301 Balboa St., San Franeiseo, Calif. 94121
(sponsored by Joseph Singer)

A3530 STONES, Ruth L. . . . . 4222 Case St., Ventura, Calif. 93003
(sponsored by William Stones)

A3531 EDLER, Gertrude K. . . . 2338 Ave. Sevilla #Q, Laguna Hills, Calif. 92653
(sponsored by Gilbert Edler)

A3532 WEST, Beth N. . . . . 1216 Adobe Lane, El Cajon, Calif. 92021
(sponsored by William West)

A3533 RIFFEL, Elizabeth . . . 615 S. Lexington, Sp. #38, Delano, Calif.93215
(sponsored by E. D. Riffel)

3534 DAVIDSON, Bruce J. . . . 12152 Flint Cir., Garden Grove, Calif. 92643
(sponsored by Bill Pannier)

3535 BOWERS, Q. David 6922 Hollywood Blvd., Suite 600, Los Angeles, 90028
(sponsored by Charles Clover)

3536 CALVERT, Heather .5303 N. Camellia Ave., Temple City, Calif. 91780
(sponsored by Covina Coin Club)

A3537 TORRE, Jane W. .. . . Country Gables, Box 10-T, Brandon, S.D. 57005
(sponsored by Joseph Torre)

A3538 GARISS, Kathleen S. . . P.O. Box 1884, Huntington Beach, Calif. 92649
(sponsored by Raymond Gariss)

3539 ISRAEL NUMISMATIC SOCIETY OF LOS ANGELES
122 N. Detroit St., Los Angeles, Calif. 90036
(sponsored by J. H. McInnis)

3540 CORONA COIN CLUB . . . . . P.O. Box 56, Corona, Calif. 91720
(sponsored by Harland Lemcke)

3541 HENRY, Marshall A. . . . . .
(sponsored by the seeretary)

3542 ABNEY, Geraldine J. . . . . .
(sponsored by the seeretary)

3543 JELINSKI, James J. . . . . P.O. Box 600, Portsmouth, N.H. 03801
(sponsored by Richard Bagg)

A3544 REPPETEAU, A. Lorine . . . 78 Carmel St., San Francisco, Calif. 94117
(sponsored by Larry Reppeteau)

3545 BLACK, Frank . . . . . 211½ S. Marguerita, Alhambra, Calif. 91801
(sponsored by the secretary)

3546 BLOSSEY, Harold G. . . . 8855 Nimbus Way, Orangevale, Calif. 95662
(sponsored by the seeretary)

3547 KIEU, Chan Q., M.D. . . . . 7323 Kirby Way, Stanton, Calif. 90680
(sponsored by the seeretary)

3548 JONES, Terry W. . . . . P.O. Box 81791, San Diego, Calif. 92138
(sponsored by Charles Colver)

3549 WINCKOWSKI, Tony . 9140 Brookshire, Apt. 215, Downey, Calif. 90240
(sponsored by Downey Numismatists)

A3550 KUNTZ, Joyce . . . . . 697 Seripps Ave., Claremont, Calif. 91712
(sponsored by G. Lee Kuntz)

3551 BOZARTH, Clifton . . 1817 Central Ave., #209, Alameda, Calif. 94501
(sponsored by the secretary)

3552 BONNER, R. L. . . . 320 N. Ardmore Ave., Los Angeles C,alif. 90004
(sponsored by Charles Colver)

3553 SAUNDERS, Bill . . . . . 827 Peggy Ave., La Puente, Calif. 91744
(sponsored by the secretary)

LIFE MEMBERSHIPS ACCEPTED

20-6 ZAGORIN, Mike . . . . . Wahiawa, Hawaii
27-2 MILLER, Ronald L. . . . . Fremont, Calif.
31-4 TERHUNE, Carl G. . . . . Vallejo, Calif.

RE-INSTATEMENTS

828 GARDEN GROVE COIN CLUB P.O. Box 402, Garden Grove, CA 92640
1511 LOCKLEY, Neil H. . . . . 617 Morse St., San Jose, Calif. 95126
2148 AMERICAN BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY
602 S. Flower, Burbank, Calif. 91502
2226 WILLIAMS, Norman W. P.O. Box 310, New Westminister, B.C., Canada V3L 4Y6
2399 BATY, Roger M. . . . . 924 Sharon Rd., Redlands, Calif. 92373
2751 JACKEL, Carl J. . . . . 1525 E. Wellington Ave., Santa Ana, Calif. 92701
3054 FOUNTAIN VALLEY COIN CLUB c/o Sam Miclean, 9143 Gardena Ave., Fountain Valley, Calif. 92708

DECEASED

14-4 EDGERTON, Stuart T. . . . . San Diego, Calif.
16-1 KEENEY, Walter B. . . . . Alhambra, Calif.
1173 TRIANGLE COIN CLUB . . . . . Long Beach, Calif.
A2143 COLABELLA, Shirley E. . . . . Fairfax, Calif.
2230 RANDALL, Frank K. . . . . Huntington Park, Calif.

SUSPENDED

21-1 MARTIN, William B. . . . . Santa Ana, Calif.

ADDRESS UNKNOWN

1602 HAAS COIN COMPANY
2536 KARR, Felix G.
2670 RUBIN, Jack A.
2858 BROUGHT, Earl E.
A2902 RUBIN, Mona W.
2930 KRUSE, L. A.
3297 ELLER, Brian R.

RESIGNATIONS

93 OGILVIE, Jack W. . .
561 CAME, Melvin E.
608 ESTES, L. Parlin
1520 FLEMING, John R.
A1521 FLEMING, Helen L.
1700 GREENE, Dorothy C.
1876 RUDDY, James F.
2253 FREUND, John E. Jr.
2387 CAMPBELL, Ben H.
2425 MOGENSEN, Val C.
2444 WEAVER, J. E.
2479 ALLEN, Norville
2514 ABEL, Wes
2532 HOUGH, R. F.
2568 ALEXANDER, Edward A.
2657 MARTIN, C. M.
A2658 MARTIN, Lorraine
2687 BOWMAN, Robert S.
A2708 BOWMAN, Hilda S.
A2899 FINCH, Sharon K.
2914 MAUL, Herman S.
2927 ANDERSON, Dorothy
3095 THOMPSON, David F.
3426 BRODY, Laurence S.

Membership, Nov. 10, 1977	1383
New Members, Nov. 11, 1977 to Feb. 10, 1978	42
Re-Instatements	7
Deceased	5
Suspended	1
Address Unknown	7
Resignations	24
Net Membership, Feb 10, 1978	1395
Total Life Memberships	117

Treasurer's Report

Ruth M. Phillips, CSNA 942

61ST SEMI-ANNUAL CSNA CONVENTION

Pasadena, October 21 - 23, 1977

RECEIPTS:		
Bourse	$6,800.00	
Registration and Meals	2,215.00	
Medal Sales	1,301.57	
Orange Crate Labels	25.00	
TOTAL RECEIPTS		$10,341.57
EXPENSES:		
Pasadena Convention Center Rental	$2,289.90	
Security	1,681.43	
Exhibit Awards	613.73	
Convention Medals	1,669.65	
Advertising & Publicity	452.50	
Printing & Signs	556.07	
Secretary's Expense	100.00	
Typewriter Rental	31.80	
Editor's Expense	100.00	
Bourse Coordinator's Fee	300.00	
Case Hauling	75.00	
Bourse Chairman's Expense	73.35	
Meals	1,552.86	
Exhibit Chairman's Expense	20.18	
Ribbons	145.21	
President's and General Chairman's Rooms	257.47	
Photographer	100.00	
Hospitality	24.47	
Telephone	32.29	
Postage	13.00	
Entertainment & Decorations	95.12	
TOTAL EXPENSES		$10,184.03
CONVENTION NET PROFIT		$ 157.54
5% Net Profit to Covina Coin Club		$ 7.88

President's Message . . .

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During the past winter the grim reaper has claimed many of our coin collector friends. Some were important cogs in our numismatic wheels; others will be remembered for their friendly smiles at conventions, shows and coin club meetings, and all will be missed. The following have been remembered by friends making contributions in their name to the California State Numismatic Association Memorial Educational Fund: Stuart Edgerton of San Diego, CSNA Custodian of Educational Material and former Treasurer; Daisy C. Snyder, of Canoga Park; Walter Keeney of Alhambra, Margaret Uhlig of Riverside and Beatrice Heiner of Colton.

See you in Fullerton and San Francisco.

Letters

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

From: M.M. Colborne, Esq.

20th October, 1977

Dear Mr. Lenker,

The Prince Of Wales has instructed me to reply to your letter of 30th September.

Unfortunately, the programme for the visit to the United States of America has been completed, and it will not be possible to include any further engagements. I am sure you will understand.

Thank you for your interest.

Yours sincerely,

(Miss) Jane Oakley

for Secretary
The Prince of Wales' Office

Mr. John E. Lenker

FROM BUCKINGHAM PALACE — C.S.N.A. President John E. Lenker received regrets from the Secretary of The Prince of Wales when he invited HRH Prince Charles to visit the CSNA Convention in Pasadena last October. Unfortunately the programme of the Prince was already full and no time for coining.

Mrs. William A. Moore, Sr.
2275 Eighteenth Avenue
San Francisco, California 94116
February 2, 1978

Mr. Charles G. Colver
611 N. Banna Ave.
Covina, California
91724

Dear Charles:

I am sorry to be so slow in acknowledging receipt of the beautiful 25-year medal sent recently. It is very much appreciated and I shall treasure it always.

Just looking at it brings memories of many happy conventions and numismatic friendships. How well I remember that first organizational meeting, February 22, 1947, in Bakersfield. Planes were grounded that morning because of heavy fog at the San Francisco airport, so David and I rushed down to the Southern Pacific depot to take the "Daylight". Eddie Fogler and we got the last seats on the train. Air travel was still uncertain in those days.

In the same ratio that air travel has grown, our California State Numismatic Association has also grown and its fine officers and supporters are to be complimented on this growth.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and the other officers for continuing to send me the Calcoin News. It is an extremely interesting publication which I read with great pleasure.

Kindest personal regards and best wishes to the organization for continued success.

Most sincerely,

Alice Redfield Moore
CSNA 1-2

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is my check for 5.00, renewal of my dues.

I have thoroughly enjoyed the Calcoin News.

The articles are interesting as well as the activities of the other coin clubs.

I am in hopes my health is better in 1978 and I'll be able to attend one of your workshops and or conventions.

Sincerely

Frances G. Stewart P.P.
Bakersfield Coin Club, Inc

A Very Happy New Year —

Jan. 15, 1978
Jack Free
Member #2939
234 Boas Dr.
Santa Rosa, Cal
95405

Charles G. Colver, Secretary

I am enclosing my dues for 1978. I would like to congratulate the CSNA for an outstanding year in numismatic activities and journalism.

I am interested in completing my CSNA Medals for the various conventions. Could you help me locate medals for the 39th 57th and the 61st conventions. I am also very interested in acquiring the Silver issue of the 42nd convention medal (the San Francisco Cable Car). If you have any of these please send them to me along with your billing costs.

Thank you
Jack

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Aldo P. Basso
#1047
2031 M. H. Del Pilar, #322
Malate, Manila
Philippines
Jan. 14, '78

Hi Charles

Hope everything is okay. Sure miss attending the Cal-State shows and seeing all of our friends.

All the best for 1978

Regards,
Aldo

JUNIOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM BENEFITS

George E. Moore of Galaxie Designs, Anaheim, made a substantial donation to the Junior Scholarship Fund recently.

CSNA will transfer monies equal to the labor involved for engraving the 25th anniversary medals presented recently to more than a hundred members.

South of the Tehachapis

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SPEAKER'S PLATFORM

Bryan Burke, "The Half Disme", **Pomona Valley Coin Club.**

Henry Cutting, "The Rise and Fall of the United States Proof Set", **Long Beach Coin Club.**

Dr. Herbert Drapkin, "The Home of David Ben-Gurion", **Israel Numismatic Society SGV.**

Charlie Fairall, "Development of the Lincoln Cent", **Tustin Coin Club.**

Albert K. Hall, "Nellie Tayloe Ross", **Hemet Numismatists**; "Morelos, A Mexican Patriot", **Pomona Valley Coin Club**: "Benjamin Franklin", **Riverside Coin Club.**

Bland Haydon, "Australia", **Redlands Coin Club.**

Henri Heller, "The Care, Cleaning, Preservation and Storage of Coins", **San Gabriel Valley Coin Club.**

Ernest Hood, "Pictures of Buildings on Coins", **Torrance Coin Club.**

Tom Hudson, "Collecting Cemmemorative Medals", **Torrance Coin Club.**

Mel Kohl, "History Thru the Art of Numismatics", **S.I.N. San Gabriel.**

Len Sterling, "Exonumia", **Tustin Coin Club.**

Cliff Roth, "Trade Coins of Israel", **Israel Numismatic Society SGV**; "Israel Season Greetings", **Israel Numismatic Society SFV**; "Eighty Five Years of Tokens", **Los Angeles Coin Club.**

Elizabeth L. Wisslead, "The Ghost of the Eagles Past", **Garden Grove Coin Club**; "Georgia's Stone Mountain Commemorative," **Fountain Valley Coin Club.**

William O. Wisslead, "The Buffalo Nickel", **Fountain Valley Coin Club.**

Clairemont Coin Club, Vince Bacon, "Collecting Type Coins"; **Ed Raymond**, "Lincoln Cents"; **Bill Noga**, "Flags on Silver Bars".

La Mesa Numismatic Society, Bill West, "Medals and Decorations of John Paul Jones"; **Larry Baber**, "Hawaiiana"; **Peter Johann**, "1844 Copper Wars".

IN MEMORIAM

Herb Landis, Long Beach Coin Club.

Frank K. Randall, Downey Numismatists.

Daisy C. Snyder, Downey Numismatist; S.I.N., Santa Monica; Los Angeles Coin Club, Numismatic Association of So. Calif.

Joe Steele, Orange County Coin Club, Santa Ana Coin Club.

Margaret Uhlig and **Beatrice Heiner, San Bernardino County Coin Club.**

Stuart T. Edgerton, San Diego Numismatic Society.

Between the Bookends

California Tokens, a comprehensive catalog of the monetary, advertising, political, souvenir and other tokens of California, was published recently by the national Token and Medal Society.

The book, by Charles V. Kappen, contains 770 pages and includes some 40 full-page plates of illustrations. Hardbound, it is of 5 x 9-inch dimensioins. In its pages are found descripitions of political, military, saloon, mining, amusement, vending, parking, encased, wooden and other tokens. It contains listings of more wooden nickels of California than will be found in any other single publication. It has a Mavericks Index of 36 pages.

All listings are priced except unverified pieces, restrikes, copies and die trials.

Its descriptions are clear, and abbreviations are held to a minimum. It is a useable book.

Kappen, the book's author, is a past president of the California State Numismatic Association, and for 12½ years edited **Calcoin News.** He is professor, emeritus, journalism, San Jose State University, and has taught also at Shrivenham American University (England), University of Wisconsin and University of Tulsa. He is listed in **Directory of American Scholars** and in several Who's Who publications, including **Who's Who in the West, Who's Who on the Pacific Coast, and Who's Who in American Education.**

The book may be obtained from your dealer, or from Dorothy Baber, TAMS secretary, 611 Oakwood Way, El Cajon, CA 92021.

DEFINITION OF SPRING

Pussy willows purring in the winds and meadows minting coins of dandelions.

IN MEMORIAM

STUART T. EDGERTON, JR.

Stuart Townsend Edgerton, Jr., well-known Southern California numismatist passed away Wednesday, February 15, 1978 in San Diego. He was born in Jamaica, New York.

Stuart loved the sea and pursued a career with the Merchant Marine and then the Navy starting with his graduation from the New York State Merchant Marine Academy in 1937 with a third mate's license. He retired from the Navy in June, 1965 as a Commander. The list of his commands and commendations could fill a page by themselves. He continued his education at San Diego State College, and received his B.A. degree in Liberal Arts.

He was an avid collector with special interest in Japanese coinage, ancient, medieval and modern. He enjoyed displaying his coins for others to see whenever time would permit. He served the hobby well by holding positions in several clubs. He was a life member of the ANA as well as CSNA. He was also a member of the Token and Medal Society, California Exonumist Society, San Diego Numismatic Society, International Numismatic Society of San Diego, and Marine Corp Recruit Depot Coin Club. He served the CSNA as Board Member from 1969-1970, Treasurer from 1971-1975, and was currently the Custodian of Educational Material.

Stuart was always a faithful attendee at local coin shows and the CSNA Semi-Annual Conventions. Our sympathy to his wife, Catharine. We shall miss him.

Internment will be in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, D.C.

WALTER KEENEY

On January 24th the CSNA lost a member who had exceeded his normal expected contribution to the hobby. Walt had donated over $2,500 in numismatic material to the Californiana collection of the Association.

From his extensive collection, Walt donated both large and small national bank notes, gleaming gold coins, historic tokens, and wooden money so that the history of the State of California would not be forgotten. All this from a man born in Chicago, not in the Golden State.

Walt's early life was dominated by tennis, camping, and hiking. He was a personal friend of Earnest Thompson Scaton and other early naturalists. His interest in the coin hobby began when he acquired a Monroe Doctrine commemorative. From tihs gift grew a complete collection of commemorative halves in uncirculated condition, a collection of paper money, a selection of proof sets, and several series of medallions. Along with the coins Walt also gathered a collection of friends who stood by him through his discouraging years of poor health.

You may have an item from his collection. Why? Because for the last few years Walt has donated the door prizes used at the CSNA banquets.

We will all recall his philosophy, "Not everyone can be an officer in an organization but every member can help the club by working for it". Walt Keeney lived up to his words.

REMEMBER . .

When dining with friends, salt your food with humor, pepper it with wit, and sprinkle it with a charm of good fellowship.

Calendar of Numismatic Events

CALIFORNIA STATE NUMISMATIC ASSOCIATION

March 18, 1978 . . . . . 10th Annual Educational Symposium
General Chairman, W. O. Wisslead, 2053 Cypress Ave., Santa Ana 92707
Orange County Coin Club — Host. All day program starting at 10:30 A.M.
Holiday Inn, Fullerton at Riverside Freeway (91) and Harbor Blvd.

April 21-23, 1978 . . . . . 62nd Semi-Annual Convention
Jack Tar Hotel, Van Ness at Geary, San Francisco
O. L. Wallis, General Chairman, 58 Tan Oak Circle, San Rafael, 94903
Harry Huntington, Exhibit Chairman, 1312 York, San Francisco, 94110

October 27 - 29, 1978 . . . . . 63rd Semi-Annual Convention
Phil Iverson, General Chairman, P.O. Box 1509, Redondo Beach, Ca. 90278
Airport Marina Hotel and Tower
8601 Lincoln Blvd., at Manchester, Los Angeles
Joint Sponsors: Bay Cities Coin Club, Santa Monica
Culver City Coin Club, Culver City

April 19-22, 1979 . . . . . 64th Semi-Annual Convention

Fall, 1979 . . . . . 65th Semi-Annual Convention
Elizabeth L. Wisslead, General Chairman, 2053 Cypress Ave., Santa Ana 92707
Orange County Coin Club — Host

Fall, 1980 . . . . . 67th Semi-Annual Convention
San Diego Interclub Numismatic Council

Mr. George Russell, Coordinator, P.O. Box 943, Santa Monica, CA 90406
To be contacted for bourse application to any CSNA convention

OTHERS

April 2, 1978 . . . . . 10th Annual Show
Salinas Valley Coin Club
Masonic Temple, 48 San Joaquin Street
Bourse: Gordon Rammer, 1360 Josselyn Canyon Rd., #18, Monterey 93940

April 8-9, 1978 . . . . . 12th Annual Coin Show
Eureka Coin Club
Redwood Acres Fair Grounds
Bourse: Harry Dixon, Box 505, Eureka 95501
Exhibits: Clemens McClaskey, Box 814, Fortuna 95540

April 16, 1978 . . . . . Spring Coin Show
Ventura County Coin Club, Holiday Inn of Ventura, 450 E. Harbor, Ventura
Information: Don Holladay, P.O. Box 3263, Ventura, 93003

April 27-30, 1978 . . . . . 6th Annual Convention
Society for International Numismatics (SIN)
Airport Park Hotel, 600 Avenue of Champions, Inglewood
Information: James Betton, P.O. Box 943, Santa Monica, 90406

May 7, 1978 . . . . . 6th Annual Coin Show
Vallejo Numismatic Society, Dan Foley Cultural Center
Dan Foley Park, Vallejo
Information: Michael Turrini, P.O. Box 4281, Vallejo 94590

May 20-21, 1978 . . . . . 17th Annual Coin-A-Rama
Azusa Women's Club, 1003 N. Azusa Ave., Azusa, Ca.
General Chairman: Frank Strauss, 122 So. Myrtle Ave., Monrovia, Ca. 91016

May 21, 1978 . . . . . 18th Annual Coin Show
North Bay Coin Club, Holiday Inn — Bay Bridge
Highway 17/80, Powell Street, Emeryville, Ca.
Information: N. L. Nicolas, P.O. Box 1497, Alameda 94501

May 28, 1978 . . . . . Israel-Holyland Expo '78
Sportsmen's Lodge, 12825 Ventura Blvd., N. Hollywood, Ca.
Information: Jerry Yahalom, P.O. Box 928, Woodland Hills, Ca. 91365

June 9-11, 1978 . . . . . 15th Annual Convention
Convention of International Numismatics (COIN)
Los Angeles Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles

July 29, 1978 . . . . . 18th Annual Collectible Show
California Exonumist Society
Holiday Inn at Fullerton, Riverside Fwy. (91) at Harbor Blvd., Fullerton
Co-Chairmen: Albert and Virginia Hall, P.O. Box 1028, Colton, 92324